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the following rail shipments crossed the border, in the directions indicated, during the period from 15 through 20 August 1952

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| B - boxcar | F - flatcar |
| C/B - converted boxcar | T - tank car |
| G - gondola car | R - refrigerator car |

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| Date | Number in August | Load and Type of Cars | From | To |
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a. Westbound shipments:

| | | | | |
|----|-------------|----------|---------------|--|
| 15 | 4 F 1 G | ore | Brest-Litovsk | Dresden |
| | 3 F 11 G | pig iron | " | Schwerin, Halle, Magdeburg, Henriksdorf, Ziltendorf |

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| | 5 B 23 G | " | " | Brandenburg, Henriksdorf, Magdeburg, Drfurt, Cottbus Halle, Dresden |
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| 13 B | cotton | " | Dresden |
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| 3 B | military goods | " | Muellrose |
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| 1 B | " | " | Wolgast |
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| 56 B | empty grain shuttle train | Frankfurt/ border | toward Eberswalde (2) for parking |
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| 15 | 46 G 12 F | ore | Brest- Litovsk | Ziltendorf (3) | |
| 16 | 4 G | pig iron | " | Brandenburg, Thale | |
| | 2 T | brown coal tar oil | " | Erkner | |
| | 10 T | cotton seed oil | " | Wittenberge, Rostock | |
| | 2 T | turpentine oil | " | Lisenspalterei | |
| | 1 T | benzol | " | Herrseburg | |
| | 7 G | iron manganese ore | " | Chemnitz,Krossen | |
| | 27 T | empty | " | Grosskorbetha (4) | |
| | 6 B | military goods | " | Altenburg | |
| | 10 B | " | " | Heidenau | |
| | 36 B | ammunition | " | Kopen (5) | |
| | 9 R | butter | " | Erfurt,Dresden (6) | |
| | 6 B 16 B | cinnamon cotton | " | " | |
| | 1 R | butter | " | Falkenstein (6) | |
| | 1 B | cinnamon | " | Heidenau | |
| | 5 B 2 B | sheep wool tungsten | " | Leipzig | |
| | 1 B | sheep's wool | " | Langenfeld | |
| | 1 B | lead | " | Meissen | |
| | 4 B | cellulose | " | Muskau | |
| | 3 T | benzol | " | Herrseburg | |
| | 8 B | carbon black | " | Halle, Erfurt Weissenfels Auerbach, Oschatz | |
| | 1 B | cognac | " | Heidenau | |
| 17 | 48 F | new trucks | " | toward Uberswalde (7) | |
| | 11 G | pig iron | " | Brandenburg | |
| | 6 T | turpentine oil | " | Lisenspalterei Erkner | |

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| 17 | 10 T | cotton seed oil | Brest-Litovsk | Wittenberge, Rostock | |
| | 24 G | ore | " | Ziltendorf (3) | |
| | 28 G | pig iron | " | Halle, Magdeburg Dresden, Hennigsdorf, Erfurt | |
| | 36 T | empty | " | Leipzig, Gross-Korbetha (4) | |
| | 2 T | cotton seed oil | " | Wittenberge | |
| | 12 B 2 B | cotton, raw bast fibre | " | Dresden | |
| | 4 B | military goods | " | Muellrose | 25X1 |
| 14 F | new trucks | " | | Halbenseleben | |
| 2 B 5 F | escort personnel new trucks | " | | Koenigswusterhausen (7) | |
| 2 B 5 F | escort personnel 12 new trucks | " | 25X1 | Niederlehme (7) | |
| 19 | 42 G | ore | " | Ziltendorf (3) | |
| | 51 F | unnumbered new trucks | " | Koenigsbrueck | |
| | 1 B 1 B | military goods escort personnel | " | Neuruppin | |
| 20 | 13 B | ammunition | " | Jessen (3) | |
| | 25X1 | | | Toepchin | |
| | 15 F | 8-ton aircraft crates without numbers | " | Cottbus (9) | |
| | 1 B | escort personnel | | | |
| | 2 F | girders | " | Magdeburg | |
| | 3 F | girders and structural iron | " | Halle | |
| | 2 F | structural iron | " | Erfurt | |
| | 14 F | sheet iron structural iron and rails | " | Riesa and Chemnitz | |
| | 9 B | military goods | " | Frankfurt/Oder | 25X1 |
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| 20 | 13 T | empty | Brest-Litovsk | Leipzig | |
| | 3 F | girders | " | Erfurt | |
| | 3 F | " | " | Wiederitzsch | |
| | 27 F | sheet iron, structural iron and rails | " | Chemnitz | 25X1 |

b. Eastbound shipments:

| | | | | | |
|----|------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|------|
| 15 | 8 F | new Soviet gauge wheel sets | | | |
| | 11 F | new express train coaches | | | 25X1 |
| | 6 F | new railroad cars suitable for the shipment of bitumen | Frank- furt/Oder border | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 1 F | 1 x 25-ton rail- road crane | | | |
| | 12 G | empty | | | |
| | 46 B | uranium ore | Aue | " | (11) |
| | 7 B | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | " | |
| | 40 F | | | | |
| | 7 G | | | | |
| | 16 F | crane parts | Leipzig | " | |
| | 5 B | bookbinder's supplies | | | |
| | 7 F | field railway flatcars | Halle | " | (10) |
| | 4 F | machine parts | Nordhausen | " | |
| | 35 F | machinery | Magdeburg | " | |
| | 7 G | | | | |
| | 2 G | disconnecting switches | Dresden | " | |
| | 3 F | machine parts | Sangerhausen | " | |
| | 4 F | crane parts | Wiederitzsch | " | |
| | 1 F | dump trucks for foundries | Chemnitz | " | (10) |
| | 5 B | potash | Bitterfeld | " | |
| | 4 T | caustic soda solution | | | |

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| 15 | 3 F | machinery | Zwickau | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 6 F 3 B | containers kitchen utensils | Thale | " | |
| | 12 B | ammonium nitrate of lime | Wolfen | Roppen | |
| 16 | 25 B 6 F 3 G | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | " | |
| | 27 F 1 B | trucks escort personnel | Templin | Brest- (7) Litovsk | 25X1 |
| | 17 SSyms- type flatcars 12 G | empty | Frankfurt/ Oder border | " | (12) |
| | 16 RRym - type flatcars with sideracks 8 G | " | " | " | |
| | 76 B 48 G 17 F | undetermined | " | " | |
| | 20 T | gasoline | Boehlen | Zhabinka (4) | 25X1 |
| | 28 G | empty | Frankfurt/ Oder | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 46 B | uranium ore | " | " (11) | |
| | 56 B | undetermined | " | " | |
| | 42 F 1 B | trucks escort personnel | Jueterbog | " (7) | |
| | 34 T | gasoline | Boehlen | Zhabinka | |
| | 18 T | empty | Frankfurt/ Oder | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 40 F 1 B | trucks escort personnel | Jueterbog | " | |
| 17 | 56 G | empty | Berlin-Rummels- burg | " | |
| | 50 B | potash | Leimbach | Roppen | |
| | 33 T | gasoline | Boehlen | Zhabinka (4) | |

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| 17 | 57 B | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 33 T 13 G | alcohol empty | Dessau | " (4) | |
| | 13 B | nitrate of lime | Wolfen | Poland | |
| | 5 B 12 B | carbon block carbide | Piesteritz | " | |
| | 7 B | cardboard | Lichicht | " | |
| | 3 G | clay pipes | Ceswig | " | 25X1 |
| | 37 F | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 6 G | " | Gross (sic) | " | |
| | 4 F | new flatcars | Halle | " (10) | |
| | 1 B | clay pipes | Koerlingen(sic) | " | |
| | 22 B 3 B | acetic acid an undetermined type of acid | Morseburg | " | |
| | 6 B | porcelain | Kahla | " | |
| | 1 F | machinery | Saalfeld | " | |
| | 7 B | fire hoses | Bad Blankenburg | " | |
| 13 | | | | | 25X1 |
| 19 | 55 B | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 43 F 1 B | used trucks escort personnel | Stendal | " | |
| | 40 F | used trucks | Wolmirstedt | " | |
| | 56 ? | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | " | |
| | 23 T | gasoline | Boehlen | Zhabinka (4) | |
| | 49 ? | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 50 B | potash | Leimbach | Reppen | |
| | 48 ? | undetermined | Frankfurt/ Oder border | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 13 F 13 G | machinery | Regdeburg | " | |

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| 19 | 7 B | an undeter- mined type of acid | Hersberg | Brest- Litovsk | |
| | 2 B | perfol (a super- polyamide, packing foil) | Bitterfeld | " | |
| | 6 G | pure phenol | Grosskor- betha | " | |
| | 4 B | cellulose | Eilenburg | " | |
| | ? F | machine parts | Zeitz | " | |
| | 2 F | measuring | Leipzig | " | |
| | 1 G | equipment | | | |
| | 9 B | bicycles | Suhl | " | |
| | 6 F | machinery | Saalfeld | " | |
| | 6 F | field railway cars | Halle | " (10) | |
| | 14 B | sections of | Dresden | " | |
| | 1 G | prefabricated houses | | | |
| | 12 F | crane parts | Wiederitzsch | " | |
| | 1 B | carbide | Piesteritz | " | |
| | 6 G | stoves | Radebeul | " | |
| | 6 B | porcelain | Kahla | " | |
| | 7 B | special hoses | Bad Blankenburg | " | |
| | 24 G | television sets | Radeberg | " | |
| | 4 B | paper | Penig | " | |
| | 2 G | iron tubes | Muskau | " | |
| | 4 B | insulators | Koesnitz | " | |
| | 4 B | kitchen utensils | Eisenach | " | |
| | 1 G | crane parts | Eisenspalterei | " | |
| | 10 F | | | | 25X1 |
| 20 | 31 T | methanol | Grosskorbetha | " (4) | |

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| 20 | 1 T | ethyl alcohol | Dessau | Brest-Litovsk | |
| | 6 T | undetermined | Morseburg | " | |
| | 3 T | caustic soda solution | Bitterfeld | " | |
| 42 | F | used trucks | Jueterbog | " | |
| 1 | B | escort personnel | | | |
| 47 | ? | undetermined | Frankfurt/Oder border | " | |
| 46 | B | uranium ore | Johann-Georgenstadt | " | |
| 33 | F | machinery | Nordhausen Magdeburg Leipzig | " | |
| 46 | B | sections of prefabricated houses | Rummelsburg | " | |
| 10 | G | | | | |
| 44 | B | potash | Dorndorf | Reppen | |
| 56 | ? | weapons (?) | Frankfurt/Oder border | Brest-Litovsk | |
| 1 | B | escort personnel | | | |
| 45 | F | used trucks | Roederau | " | |
| 6 | B | military goods | " | " | |
| 1 | B | electrical equipment | Berlin-Ostbahnhof | " | |
| 3 | G | | | | |
| 5 | F | electrodes | Raguhn | " | |
| 3 | B | meteorological equipment | Warnemuende | " | |
| 3 | B | piece goods | various stations | " | |
| 6 | B | kitchen utensils | Thale | " | |
| 5 | F | enameled containers | | | |
| 1 | G | | | | |
| 3 | F | railroad equipment | Berlin-Weissensee | " | |
| 10 | F | boiler sections | Riesa | " | |

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| 20 | 10 D 1 B | carbide rubber boots | Piesteritz | Brest- Litovsk |
| | 5 B | kitchen utensils | Thale | " |
| | 10 F | television sets | Radeberg | " |
| | 1 F | machinery | Teltow | Poland |
| | 6 G | machine parts | Leipzig | " |
| | 1 B | generators | Berlin- Osthafen | " |
| | 2 B | typewriters | Erfurt | " |
| | 1 B | machinery | Soemmerda | " |
| | 20 B | nitrate of ammonium sulphate | Wolfen | " |
| | 1 F | machinery | Berlin- Osthafen | " |
| | 4 B | machinery | Berlin- Ostbahnhof | Ostfor (?) (China) |

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2. Rail shipments

passing through Frankfurt/Oder,
in the directions indicated, during the period from 14 through 17
August 1952 included:

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| a. Eastbound | | | | |
| 14 | 1 B 44 F | undetermined | Neuruppin | Brest- Litovsk |
| | 28 T | gasoline | Boehlen | " |
| | 46 | undetermined | Templin | " |
| | 30 T | gasoline | Boehlen | " |
| | 45 F 1 C/B | undetermined | Jucterbog Altes-Lager | " |
| 16 | 43 | undetermined | Weisswasser | " |
| 17 | 19 | gasoline | Boehlen | Zhabinka |

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| Date in August | Number and Type of Cars | Load | From | To | |
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| b. Westbound | | | | | |
| 14 | 40 | undetermined | Brest-Litovsk | Guestrow | |
| 15 | 36 B 10 | ammunition crash cars | " | Prenzlau (13) | |
| 16 | 26 | ammunition | " | Guestrow (13) | |
| 17 | 12 | undetermined | " | Haldensleben | |
| | 27 | undetermined | " | Boetzow | |

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Comments.

- 25X1 (1) [redacted]
- (2) This westbound empty grain shuttle train indicates that the East German grain import program which was started in January 1952, is essentially completed.
- (3) Raw material deliveries for the Foundry Combine East near Fuerstenberg on the Oder River.
- (4) Deliveries by East German hydrogenation plants to the U.S.S.R. and returning empty tank cars.
- (5) A large ammunition depot of the GOMG is located in Kapen.
- (6) Refrigerator cars operating between the U.S.S.R. and East Germany.
- 25X1 (7) These shipments are connected with the motor vehicle replacement program.
- 25X1 (8) Until 14 August 1952, a total of 3,373 new motor vehicles arrived in Eastern Germany.
- (9) A large ordnance and equipment depot of the GOMG is located in Jessen. From the weight of these crates it is believed that they contained jet fighters. In late July, the bomber regiment stationed at Cottbus airfield moved to Jueterbog. [redacted]. It was anticipated that the field would be reoccupied.
- 25X1 (10) Deliveries by East German railroad car factories to the U.S.S.R.
- 25X1 (11) [redacted] The Soviet gauge wheel sets sent along will be used on the Soviet railroad system.
- 25X1 (12) The dispatch to the U.S.S.R. of empty heavy-duty flatcars indicates that new tanks will arrive in East Germany soon. [redacted]. The new Rlym-type cars can carry two tanks each.
- (13) The shipments dispatched to Guestrow were probably for the former German Army ammunition depot in Guestrow-Friemerswald. This ammunition depot, was occupied by the Soviets at the end of the war, vacated in late 1949 and occupied by Volkspolizei (VP) in January 1950. A VP tank school and a large tank repair shop are located there. The ammunition shipment to Prenzlau was probably also for VP, possibly for the 1st VP corps or army which is being activated in this area.
- 25X1 [redacted]

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